

ISOLATION OF BACTERIAL GENOMIC DNA

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1. Transfer 1.8 ml overnight culture to a 2-ml micro-centrifuge tube and spin 2 min. Decant the supernatant.
2. Drain well onto a Kimwipe.
3. Resuspend the pellet in 467 μ l TE buffer by repeated pipetting.
4. Add 30 μ l of 10% SDS and 3 μ l of 20 mg/ml proteinase K, mix, and incubate 1hr at 50 C.
5. Add an equal volume of phenol/chloroform and mix well by inverting the tube until the phases are completely mixed.
6. Spin 2 min.
7. Transfer the upper aqueous phase to a new tube and add an equal volume of phenol/chloroform.
8. Spin 2 min.
9. Transfer the upper aqueous phase to a new tube.
10. Add 1/10 volume of 3M sodium acetate.
11. Add 0.6 volumes of isopropanol and mix gently until the DNA precipitates.
12. Centrifuge to pellet DNA.
13. Wash in 70% Ethanol, 2x.
14. Resuspend DNA in 100-200 μ l ddH₂O.
15. After DNA has dissolved, measure the concentration by diluting 10 μ l of DNA into 1 ml of ddH₂O (1:100 dilution) and measure absorbance at 260 nm.
16. Concentration of original DNA solution in μ g/ml = Abs x 100 x 50 μ g/ml.

CAUTION: PHENOL CAUSES SEVERE BURNS, WEAR GLOVES GOGGLES, AND LAB COAT AND KEEP TUBES CAPPED TIGHTLY.